

**CTTAB**  
**July 11, 2006 Minutes**  
**City of Seattle, Seattle Municipal Tower**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Floor, 700 – Fifth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104**

<b>Present</b> Leah Altaras Bill Baron Charles Brennick Maryann Budlong Harry Hart, III Damien Koemans Huat Chye Lim Jerry Lin Ann Robinson Nina Sanders Shivani Tejuja	<b>Excused</b> Todd Achilles Paul Green Pwint Htun Manny Ovena <b>Absent</b>  <b>Visitors</b> Ken Meyer Ann Suter  <b>Staff</b> David Keyes Jill Novik
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**1. Announcements; Agenda Approval; Review of June, 2006 Minutes; Report from the Chair :**

The June, 2006 minutes and July agenda were approved as written. Chair Budlong noted that staff and she had interviewed Get Engaged candidates and had narrowed the choices to two individuals.

**2. Committee Reports:**

Technology Matching Fund: Sanders reported that City Council approved the CTTAB recommendation. There will be a celebration on July 20 at 911 Media Arts Center for TMF recipients.

Keyes added that he is optimistic about a request for a \$50-60,000 increase in 2007 TMF funding. The additional funds will be used for increased outreach and technical assistance. Sanders said that Council will want to know how best to use the money. She requested that the Emerging Technologies consider directions for technology and how those considerations might inform what kinds of projects the committee supports.

Youth Civic Engagement: Keyes said that the committee is talking about how to get involved with the South Park project, which is full of opportunities to work with youth.

Wi-Fi/Broadband: Baron noted that the RFI had been issued and that a committee has been organized to review the submittals, and select a smaller number to continue conversations on what they might bring to the effort. Novik added that 28 proposals had been received.

ArtZone: Koemans said that the SeattleChannel has been very receptive to comments by committee members. Contact Nina, Maryann, or Damien with ideas for ArtZone.

### **3. Cable Office:** Jill Novik

28 firms or partnerships responded to the July 7 deadline for the broadband Request for Interest. CTTAB members Achilles and Baron will be part of the team to review the submittals, with a target of mid-September to talk with promising firms.

Rona Zevin will be retiring from the City and CTTAB members are invited to attend the retirement party on July in Rm. 4090.

### **4. Community Technology:** David Keyes

Wi-Fi: new user statistics are in and available. Ken LeBlond, intern, has completed 25 business surveys. The program is also developing new cards to promote the Wi-Fi service.

Jerry Lin expressed some concern with the Wi-Fi cards noting that it is important to convey presence of a hot spot only if there is one on site.

TMF celebration: there is an opportunity for CTTAB to assist at this July 20 event. Please contact Keyes if interested.

### **5. Board Business**

Public comment policy: Councilmember Godden contacted chair Budlong with some concerns about the draft as proposed. She indicated that she would like to see the public have the ability to comment on technology, and suggested something more consistent with the Council's policy.

Hart and Baron agreed to review the draft in the context of Council's policy and return to the board with revisions before the next meeting.

It was agreed to hold the August meeting only if there was a press of business.

### **6. Update from Seattle Community Access Network:** Ann Suter

Suter informed CTTAB that SCAN will update to digital and will close to accommodate the work. All producers will have to be re-certified on the new equipment. She also said that the board has a new five year plan and is developing a plan for fundraising. She added that she has tendered her resignation and the SCAN board is seeking a new executive director.

SCANzavanza will be held Sept. 8-10.

In response to a question from Jerry Lin regarding distribution of content on the Internet, Suter responded that she expects there will likely continue to be television broadcasting (in addition to streaming) for the five year life of the contract with the City.

### **7. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

## **Community Technology Report to CTTAB July 2006**

### Technology Matching Fund

Legislation was passed by the City Council Energy and Technology Committee on June 28<sup>th</sup>. Twelve of 13 projects attended; only TAF was missing.

The TMF grantee celebration will be held the July 20<sup>th</sup> , 3:30 – 5:30 at the 911 Media Arts Center, 402 9th Ave., N. Nina Sanders will help the Mayor present.

#### Statewide Meeting on Community Technology

The Communities Connect Network is holding a statewide community technology meeting on August 16. See [www.communitiesconnect.org](http://www.communitiesconnect.org)

#### Brainstorm

July issued featured the TMF projects, wifi tips, phishing scams, Rona's retirement, and other links and funds available for community tech programs.

#### WiFi



We are about to post an online user survey and Ken LeBlond, our UW intern, is conducting business interviews in Columbia City. Usage has gone up since converting to fiber in Columbia City.

### June 1 – June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006

#### User statistics

	City Hall / Parks	University District	Columbia City
Avg. logins per day	50 (-10)	179 (+51)	93 (+20)
% change in logins since last month	-18%	+43%	+75%
Avg. number of unique users per day	26 (-10)	89 (+22)	46 (+8)
Total unique users (year to date)	1645	4070	1150
New users added this month	290	740	198

(Change from last month: decrease in red, increase in green)

#### Notes:

- Overall, there was a 21% increase in unique Seattle Wi-Fi users (year-to-date) and 29% increase in the number of sessions compared to last month.